

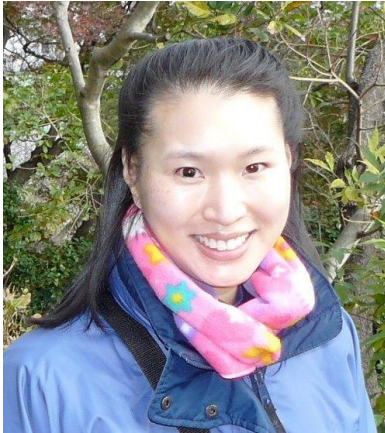
Preceptors and Residents 2016-2017

VA Puget Sound Health Care System
PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program



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Rotation Preceptors



Deborah Woo, Pharm.D., BCACP

Rotation: Primary Care

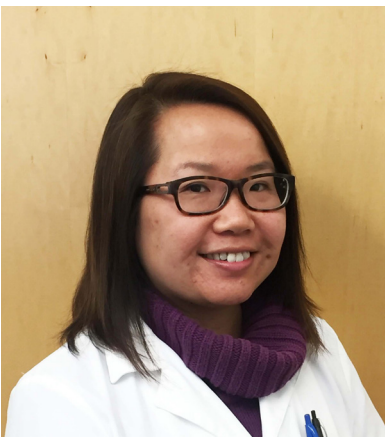
PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, primary care, pulmonology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Inter-professional collaborations, teaching

Hobbies: Family, dance, theater, hiking, traveling, and trying new restaurants



Anne Lee, Pharm.D., BCPS, CDE

Rotation: Center of Excellence and Nephrology Clinic

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, nephrology, diabetes

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Progressive and multidisciplinary work environment

Hobbies: Hiking, playing with English bulldog, road trips, shopping, attend volleyball games, watching cooking and home improvement shows, discover new restaurants, spend time with family and friends.



Peggy Shih, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: General Medicine

PGY1 Residency: VA Portland

Pharmacy School: University of California, San Francisco

Specialty/Interest(s): General medicine, cardiology, infectious diseases

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Being able to serve veterans and working with great colleagues.

Hobbies: Collecting stamps and taking walks.



Jeremy Smart, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: General Medicine

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Arizona

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Co-workers and learning something new everyday

Hobbies: Soccer, hiking/outdoors stuff, watching college basketball, fantasy football, restaurants/grilling/foodie stuff, microbreweries, travel, entertaining my daughter and 2 Australian shepherds

Rotation Preceptors



Allison George, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: General Medicine

PGY1 Residency: VA Georgia

Pharmacy School: University of Florida College of Pharmacy

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The interdisciplinary collaboration amongst providers.

Hobbies: Cooking, coffee, crosswords, and Game of Thrones.



Kim Kremer, RPh

Rotation: General Medicine

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): General medicine

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The patient interaction and the great staff.

Hobbies: Gardening, hiking, being outdoors.



Jonathan Casavant, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Antimicrobial Stewardship

PGY1 Residency: Concord Hospital

PGY2 Residency: Management, VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: Massachusetts College

Specialty/Interest(s): Antimicrobial stewardship, HIV care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Multi-disciplinary teamwork approach to patient care.

Hobbies: Softball, tennis, basketball, dog parks, Game of Thrones fan theories, and trivia nights.



Robyn Guy, RPh

Rotation: Oncology

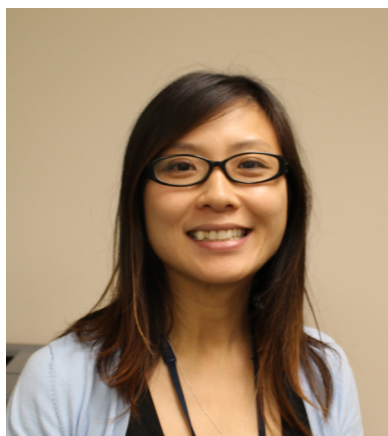
Pharmacy School: University of Florida College of Pharmacy

Specialty/Interest(s): Oncology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The opportunities that we have as pharmacy to create better experiences for our patients and to be part of interdisciplinary teams and new solutions.

Hobbies: Hiking, biking, running, weight training, reading, cross word puzzles, and hanging out on the beach.

Rotation Preceptors



Stephanie Long, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Medical ICU

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Critical care medicine

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The VAPSHCS provides both acute and ambulatory care services. As the acute care service is expanding, especially with the MICU being a closed unit and increased pharmacy involvement, I foresee many new opportunities for pharmacy clinical services. Our ambulatory service has various clinics which focus on managing elderly with multiple comorbidities, therefore it creates and excellent learning opportunity. It is a good environment to foster learning and growth. I also love my wonderful colleagues.

Hobbies: I enjoy hiking and running. The past three years, I have gotten back into running half marathons. It is a great way to release stress and stay mentally healthy.

Brian Gulley, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Medical ICU

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Critical care medicine

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Working in a teaching environment that is very accepting of pharmacy services and always knowing you can truly make a difference on a daily basis.

Hobbies: I enjoy exploring the outdoors, all things music, and running with my dogs.



Tanvi Shah, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Medical ICU

PGY1 Residency: VA Cincinnati

Pharmacy School: Auburn University

Hobbies: Cooking, television, video games, and 'mom-ing'.



Melanie Cohen, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Surgical ICU

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Surgical ICU, oncology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The patients are inspiring, very gracious and grateful for the care the VA provides. It is an honor to serve them. I also love my colleagues; they are always inspiring me to strive to be a better pharmacist.

Hobbies: Hiking and reading both of which have had to curtail to coach my 8 year old son's soccer team, the Thunderdragons!



Rotation Preceptors



Mimi Ho, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Surgical ICU

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: Pacific University

Specialty/Interest(s): Surgical ICU

What I love about VA Puget Sound: What I love most about the VA Puget Sound is having the opportunity to work alongside intelligent, motivated, hard-working pharmacists, residents, providers, and nurses who are constantly striving to, and inspiring me to, improve health care practices. It is a very collaborative and multi-disciplinary environment, which provides for a great learning experience.

Hobbies: Traveling, cooking/baking, and hiking.



Jeff Almgren, Pharm.B.S.

Rotation: Bone Marrow Transplant Unit

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Bone marrow transplant/peripheral blood stem cell transplant, hematology/oncology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The opportunity to serve an appreciative veteran population

Hobbies: Bicycling, hiking, and skiing



Craig O'Brien, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Bone Marrow Transplant Unit

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Dedication of the preceptors to the residency program, collaboration between disciplines, opportunities for pharmacists to have expanded roles.

Hobbies: Hiking, cooking, fishing, and spending time with family.



Kevin Whalen, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Bone Marrow Transplant Unit

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Marrow transplant

What I love about VA Puget Sound: It is rewarding to serve the Veteran population in collaboration with dedicated colleagues. Pharmacists are given many opportunities to make meaningful impacts for our Veterans.

Hobbies: Playing basketball, spending time with family, and watching sports.

Rotation Preceptors



Jennifer Mecca, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Women's Health Primary Care Clinic (American Lake Division)

Pharmacy School: University of Rhode Island

Specailty/Interest(s): Womens' health

What I love about VA Puget Sound: I like working with the Veteran population and the progressive pharmacy role in MTM.

Hobbies: Spending time with my family (raising 2 young boys). I also like to go running and hiking.



Kaylyn Nelson, Pharm.D., CDE

Rotation: Primary Care (American Lake Division)

PGY2 Residency: Ambulatory Care, VA Western New York

PGY2 Residency: Diabetes Management, VA Western New York

Pharmacy School: University of Utah

Specailty/Interest(s): Geriatrics, diabetes, hepatology

What I love about the American Lake Division: The campus is beautiful, right on the lake. The staff are helpful team players and the patients are engaging.

Hobbies: I am currently learning how to play the cello and crochet, both are harder than I thought they would be.



Blissa Tanaka, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Home Based Primary Care

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: Creighton University

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: I enjoying working at the VA Puget Sound because of the great care everyone at the VA provides to our veterans. It is also a beautiful place to live with access to mountains and water for any outdoor adventure!

Hobbies: I play sand volleyball and coach high school volleyball. I also enjoy hiking, eating/cooking, traveling, and running/working out.



Adrian Hughes, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Home Based Primary Care

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, geriatrics, global health

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Working with a highly interprofessional team at the top of my license to truly make a difference in our patients' lives.

Hobbies: Snowboarding, bicycling, knitting, cooking, reading, traveling, yoga, and hiking.

Rotation Preceptors



Natalie Dearing, Pharm.D., BCACP

Rotation: Anticoagulation Clinic

PGY1 Residency: SUNY, University at Buffalo

Pharmacy School: Howard University College of Pharmacy

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, anticoagulation, cardiology

Hobbies: Hiking, rock climbing, yoga, and spending time with family and friends.



Jamie Heissler, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Anticoagulation Clinic

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Michigan

Specialty/Interst(s): Anticoagulation, primary care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: We have a large and diverse veteran population in the Pacific Northwest.

Hobbies: Anything outdoors, live music, and yummy treats.



Hollye Bondurant, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Women's Health Clinic

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Women's health

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Serving the veterans and working with my coworkers in the women's clinic.

Hobbies: Traveling, hiking, spending time with my family.



Bridget Kaufmann, Pharm.D., BCACP

Rotation: Cardiology Clinic

PGY1 Residency: William S Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital

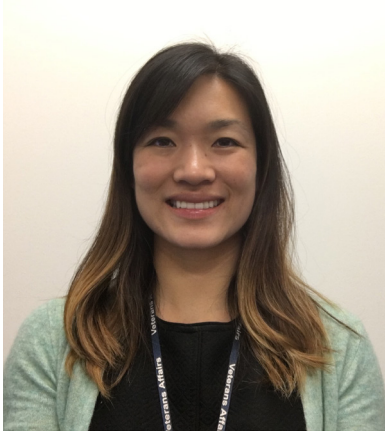
Pharmacy School: University of Cincinnati

Specialty/Interest(s): Primary care, cardiology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Working with a collaborative group of providers and pharmacists, and mentoring residents.

Hobbies: Pilates, skiing, baking, traveling, and watching my sons play soccer!

Rotation Preceptors



Jennifer Chen, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Geriatrics Primary Care (Geri-PACT)

PGY1 Residency: Geriatrics, VA St. Louis Healthcare System

Pharmacy School: University of Southern California

Specailty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, geriatrics, mental health

What I love about VA Puget Sound: I love working with my patients, colleagues, and the geriatric team!

Hobbies: Aerial acrobatics, bouldering, hiking, traveling, and trying new restaurants.

Chialin Nguyen, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Rheumatology Clinic

PGY1 Residency: VA Greater Los Angeles

Pharmacy School: University of Southern California

Specialty/Interest(s): Primary care, rheumatology, HIV

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The collaborative relationship with the different healthcare providers.

Hobbies: Traveling and spending time with family.

Tatiana Mauda, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Mental Health

PGY1 Residency: Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

PGY2 Residency: Psychiatry, Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

Pharmacy School: Chicago State University

Specialty/Interest(s): Psychiatry

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The veterans and the mental health staff!

Hobbies: Spending time with my family and traveling.

Karen Lew, Pharm.D.

Rotation: Spinal Cord Injury

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interests: Inpatient rehabilitative medicine and mental health

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The people that work here at the veterans we serve.

Hobbies: Hiking, cycling, gardening, traveling, and reading.

Rotation Preceptors

Susan Daughton, Pharm.D., CDE

Rotation: Center of Excellence

PGY1 Residency: University of Illinois at Chicago

Pharmacy School: University of Nebraska Medical Center

Specialty/Interest(s): Primary care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Always something exciting going on at the VA.

Hobbies: Playing with my kids, cooking, and fitness.

Anne Baciewicz, Pharm.D., MBA

Rotation: Surgical ICU

PGY2 Residency: Medicine/Ambulatory Care, University of Tennessee, Memphis

Pharmacy School: Albany College of Pharmacy (PharmBS) and Medical University of South Carolina (PharmD)

Specialty/Interest(s): Surgical intensive care, medicine

Hobbies: Traveling, biking, swimming, walking, plays, musicals, opera, and the symphony.

Susan Lee, Pharm.D., BCPS

Rotation: Surgical ICU

PGY2 Residency: Critical care, University of Washington

Pharmacy School: Ohio State University

Specialty/Interest(s): Critical care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The residents, of course!

Hobbies: Spending time with my kids, childhood development, and gardening.

Jutta Joseph, Pharm.D.

Rotation: GI/Hepatology Clinic

PGY2 Residency: Primary Care, W.S. Middleton VA Medical Center, Madison, WI

Pharmacy School: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Specialty/Interest(s): GI/hepatology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Mostly the people I work with and opportunities to make a difference for patients.

Hobbies: Biking, hiking, travel, reading, cooking, anything having to do with music, going to movies of all kinds, especially international films.

Current Residents



Cassandra Song, Pharm.D.

Residency Year: PGY-2 Health-System Administration

PGY1 Residency: VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Pharmacy School: Washington State University

Specialty/Interest(s): Clinic program development, residency program development, academia

What I love about VA Puget Sound: Serving the Veterans. I have many loved ones in my life who are Veterans, and I admire them greatly. I feel like being part of this VA to provide good care is one tiny way that I can be of service back to them.

Hobbies: Hiking/running, cooking (experimenting), trivia/game nights, attempting/failing DIY projects, and having long deep meaningful conversations with friends over a beverage :)



Czarina Franco, Pharm.D.

Residency Year: PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency

Pharmacy School: University of Washington

Specialty/Interest(s): Ambulatory care, geriatrics, academia, oncology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: I love the patient population we serve and the balanced experiences that we have in both inpatient and outpatient settings. As a resident, I love how dedicated the preceptors are in our learning and training. They are extremely invested in our professional development, and challenge us to shed our student title and become pharmacists, all while creating a very safe and supportive learning environment.

Hobbies: I enjoy spending time with family and friends, attempting to bake or cook, and hiking when I get the chance.



Heather Hresko, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Wisconsin- Madison

Specialty/Interest(s): Cardiology, HIV, psychiatric pharmacy

What I love about VA Puget Sound: The people. Everyone is friendly and the preceptors truly care about the quality of each resident's experience. This provides a safe and welcoming learning environment!

Hobbies: Meeting new people, trail running, playing ukulele, making giant sized chocolate bars, hanging out with my co-residents, exploring the PNW!



Jennesa Sokol, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Montana

Specialty/Interest(s): Oncology

What I love about VA Puget Sound: I love that VAPSHCS has a friendly atmosphere, offers a variety of rotations that are flexible to fit my interests, allows me the opportunity to practice at the top of a pharmacist license and of course my co-residents!

Hobbies: Biking, hiking, cowboy boots, guessing the winner on Master Chef, attempting to cook, and a good glass of wine...Also GO HAWKS!

Current Residents



Jenny Luu, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Southern California

Specialty/Interest(s): Psychiatry, critical care, pharmacogenetics, informatics

What I love about VA Puget Sound: My co-residents! I also love and appreciate the receptive and caring preceptors. They are great teachers and mentors.

Hobbies: Swimming, hiking, crafting, and learning how to cook from my co-residents.



Julia DiNardo, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Pittsburgh

Specialty/Interest(s): Psychiatry

What I love about VA Puget Sound: My 7 co-residents!

Hobbies: Exploring Seattle including new restaurants, bars, and coffee shops, hiking, weekly trivia, weekend trips around the PNW.



Katie Zimny, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Wisconsin-Madison

Specialty/Interest(s): Inpatient pharmacy, ambulatory care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: My co-residents and coworkers, team-based care, positive learning environment.

Hobbies: I love being outside, hiking, running, playing frisbee, going to cabins in Northern Wisconsin, playing catch, exploring national parks, trying new food and restaurants, playing trivia on Tuesdays, spending time with family and friends.



Rakia Nasir, Pharm.D.

Pharmacy School: University of Georgia

Specialty/Interest(s): Oncology, infectious disease, ambulatory care

What I love about VA Puget Sound: In addition to a myriad of rotations, VA Puget Sound's residency program is unmatched in its preceptor quality. It's their dedication to the Veterans and our clinical and professional development that is the backbone of this program. Furthermore, the program's flexibility allows each resident to individualize the residency experience. Serving the diverse veteran population with beautiful Seattle as the backdrop makes this residency immensely fulfilling and enjoyable!

Hobbies: Experiencing new eateries & breweries, trivia, hiking, running, jigsaw puzzles, Netflix binging and cheering at sporting events especially the Bulldawgs!